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**From:** Christopher Middendorf [mailto:chris@middendorfsports.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 28, 2016 3:11 PM  
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Here is the deal- Crawford's WBO world title was on the line. Period. The fight between Crawford and Postal was for Terence's title. Sanctioning fees were paid to the WBO to sanction Crawford's defense of his title and he defended it perfectly. Postal also had a title and he defended his WBC world title. Your belief that as a "title unification

bout in which Terence was not simply participating in a title defense...." is an absurd statement. The fight being a unification bout does not change that each fighter was

defending his own title. Therefore it has no impact on my percentage which is due whenever Terence Crawford defends his world title.

The fact of the matter is that this is a ridiculous argument. That it was a defense of his title is confirmed in dozens of articles on boxing news sites and through other media.

Here are just two examples:

4/21/16 - Dan Rafael, ESPN Senior writerA former lightweight champion and the 2014 fighter of the year, Crawford (28-0, 20 KOs), 28, of Omaha, Nebraska, will be making his third 140-pound title defense. Postol (28-0, 12 KOs), 32, of Ukraine, will be making the first defense of the world title belt he won in upset fashion by knocking out Lucas Matthyse in the 10th round on Oct. 3 in Carson, California. Cameron Dunkin, Crawford's co-manager, confirmed to ESPN.com that Crawford signed the contract.

5/10/16 Associated Press

Crawford, of Omaha, Nebraska, has won four of his last five by stoppage. The 2014 fighter of the year by the Boxing Writers Association of America will be making his third defense of the WBO version of the title.

I am sure that if I really searched that there are probably quotes from Top Rank representatives or WBO officials that confirm that Crawford was defending his title. As per the agreement that I have with you, you have five business days to pay me. Tomorrow, Friday, July 29th is the fifth business day. When I spoke to David Lopez at the fight on Saturday he said that he did not have my check but that he would send it to me via wire transfer. I will expect that transfer by the close of business tomorrow.

Sincerely,

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